

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 2182
Docket No.: 826.1739**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Atsuko OHARA, et al.

Serial No. 09/917,748

Group Art Unit: 2624

Confirmation No. 2775

Filed: July 31, 2001

Examiner: Brian Q. Le

For: APPARATUS FOR EXTRACTING RULED LINE FROM MULTIPLE-VALUED IMAGE

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Attention: **BOX AF**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed March 24, 2006, and having a period for response set to expire on June 24, 2006. A Petition for a one-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to July 24, 2006.

Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested. The following remarks are respectfully submitted.

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